Housing and Property Chamber First-tier Tribunal for Scotland

Decision with Statement of Reasons of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) under Section 33 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1988

Chamber Ref: FTS/HPC/EV/22/1880

Re: Property at 11 Palmer Street, Arbroath, DD111HG ("The Property")

Parties:

Mr Bryan Park t/a Greenworld Investments, 8 Hill Road, Arbroath, DD111BX ("The Applicant")

Mr John Devenney, 11 Palmer Street, Arbroath, DD111HG ("The Respondent")

Tribunal Members;

Mark Thorley (Legal Member) and Gerard Darroch (Ordinary Member)

Decision (in absence of the Respondent)

The First Tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) ("The Tribunal") determined that an order for eviction be granted.

Background

The applicant applied to the First Tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber) by application dated 13th June 2022. Accompanying the application was a significant amount of documentation namely the following:

- 1. Lease dated the 20th August 2017
- 2. Rent arrears statement
- 3. Notice to quit dated 7th July 2021
- 4. AT 6 Dated 7th July 2021
- 5. Execution of Service dated 9th July 2021
- 6. Notice to quit dated 8th December 2021
- 7. AT 6 Dated 8th December 2021
- 8. Execution of Service from Killean & Co dated 8th December 2021
- 9. Letter to Mr John Devenney dated 9th March 2022
- 10. Proof of Delivery dated 10th March 2022
- 11. Letter to Mr John Devenney dated 12th April 2022

- 12. Section 11 notice to Angus Council, dated 13th June 2022
- 13. Proof of Service Section 11 notice by Email

The application was acknowledged by the tribunal on 17th June 2022. Certain further information was requested from the applicant. That information was provided.

On 3rd August 2022, the application was accepted for determination. A case management discussion was set up for 14th October 2022. The application and paperwork was served on the respondent by Sheriff Officer on 1st September 2022.

No written representations have been received from the respondent.

Case Management Discussion

At the Case Management Discussion, Mr Beatty, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the applicant. There was no appearance by or for the Respondent.

Mr Beatty advised that the Respondent had contacted his office and left a message to the effect of 'how long do I have before I have got to get out.'

Findings in Fact

The Parties entered into a tenancy agreement dated 20th August 2017 for the property at 11 Palmer Street, Arbroath.

Rent was due to be paid at the sum of £280 per month with a commencement date of 1st September 2017.

The Respondent has not made a payment of rent since November 2019. He is significantly in arrears of rent now to the extent of £11,920.48.

He has breached the terms of his tenancy agreement.

Reasons for Decision

The paperwork was in order. The respondent has received the paperwork. The respondent appears to have accepted that he requires to leave the property. He contacted the solicitors acting on behalf of the applicant and requested confirmation of how long he had before he had to move. He appeared to implicitly accept that he had breached the terms of his tenancy agreement.

The arrears here are significant. The applicant has not paid any rent in approaching three years. The rent is a modest one at £280 per month but still arrears now have accrued to almost £11,000.

The Tribunal accepted the evidence contained within the paperwork and the evidence provided by the solicitor and granted the order.

Decision

To grant an order of eviction.

Legal Member: Mr MarkThorley Date: 14th October 2022